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Reagan of Khadafy hit list

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LIBYAN madman Muammar Khadafy has placed President Ronald Reagan at the top of a hit list and is plotting his death.

This bombshell disclosure, made today by columnist Jack Anderson and Washington intelligence sources, comes just 48 hours after Egyptian President Anwar Sadat, on that same list, was assassinated in Cairo.

According to the sources, Sudan's President Jaafar Nimeri, Oman's Qaboos bin Said and Somalia's President Mohammed Siyad Barre are also in line for assassination — condemned to death because, like Sadat, they are aligned with the U.S.

Secretary of State Haig said yesterday Sadat had been on a radical hit list ever since Camp David — and he condemned Libya's "proclivity to foster historic change by force and bloodshed."

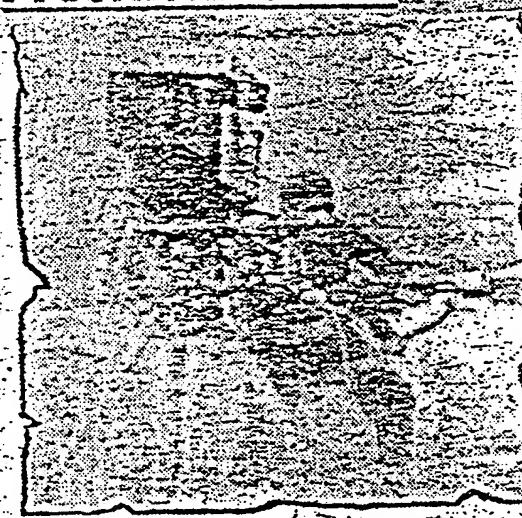
His voice rising, his face flushed red with rage, Haig blasted Libya's propaganda war on the morning before the assassination.

One intelligence official told the Post, "This is clearly war against the United States. Sadat was killed because of that."

Khadafy

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Bombshell disclosure
hits Washington in
wake of terrorist
slaying of Egypt's
President Sadat



INSTANT OF DEATH

This dramatic picture taken from the parade viewing stand, and first published in the Post yesterday, captures the moment a charging assassin blasted down President Sadat and turned the Cairo military ceremony into

ANWAR SADAT



The National Security Agency, according to Anderson, advised the White House last summer that Reagan was the target of assassination.

And yesterday, Pentagon, CIA and State Dept. security agencies advised Reagan not to attend Sadat's funeral because an attempt could be made on his life.

"The security agencies were unanimous in recommending that he not go to Egypt," said White House Communications Director, David Gergen.

Gergen said the same recommendation applied with "equal force" to Vice President Bush.

Former Presidents Carter, Ford and Nixon will attend Saturday's funeral in Cairo.

The U.S., according to Anderson, became aware of Khadafy's murderous intentions last August when intel-

ected a phone call he made to Ethiopian strongman Mengistu Haile Mariam.

Khadafy placed the call the week after U.S. fliers gunned down two Libyan jets over the Mediterranean.

Outraged over the dogfight, Khadafy vowed to go ahead with his plans to have Reagan assassinated.

Besides losing two jets over what Khadafy contests are his waters, Anderson suggests Khadafy may have had more personal reasons for vengeance.

The CIA, according to Anderson, recently tried to persuade a fugitive ex-CIA agent living in Tripoli, to cooperate in the assassination of Khadafy.

Anderson said the CIA had mounted an intricate plot that would have used a poisoned dart — disguised as a black fly — to end Khadafy's life.

The CIA denies planning an assassination attempt on Khadafy's life. An agency spokesman said a standing executive order prohibits the CIA from "engaging in or conspiring to engage in assassination."

Libya — which has been a target of American suspicion in the Sadat assassination — yesterday accused Washington of plotting to kill Khadafy.